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Request for Information on Trading Companies.

1. Following our telephone conversation, attached is a list of the trading companies for which we desire information. This list includes the known addresses of all branch offices of each company, and the personalities on which we have abbreviated information.

2. The information desired on each of the companies includes:

- a. Any inter-relationships that may exist among them, particularly their relationships with Farbwerke Hoechst, A.G., including financial, purchasing and selling relationships.
- b. Their major suppliers.
- c. Their major customers.
- d. Their bank and insurance references, and the codes which they use (except where the notation is made that this information is already available).
- e. Their degree of control over branch offices and the working relationships with branches.
- f. Major personalities not included on the attached list.

3. The information desired on each of the personalities includes:

- a. Specific job title and approximate length of service.
- b. Degree of financial interest in their respective companies.
- c. Relationship (if any) with personalities in the other firms.
- d. Their political and social affiliations.
- e. Any derogatory information available (such as smuggling, evasion of trade controls, personal difficulties, etc.)

4. It is possible that the information your office has with respect to these firms may not be as inclusive as the above outline, but the request has purposely been made broad to provide you with the full scope of our requirements. Any information you can furnish directly or through your contacts at FBI will be greatly appreciated.

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Requirements for further information on matters reported in PD No. 397,  
22 December 1954.

The following information is required about a meeting of the  
Council for Economic Mutual Aid (CEMA), reportedly scheduled for  
February 1955, and which may be scheduled earlier.

1. What are the reasons for changing the date of the meeting?
2. What topics will be on the meeting agenda?
3. Can source give a list of the participants from all countries  
scheduled to go to the meeting? This listing should include the position  
of each participant within his national government.
4. If the meeting is held, considerable effort should be made to  
ascertain any decisions taken at the meeting.
5. Does source know if the meeting will be confined to representatives  
of the USSR and the European Satellites?
6. Did the meeting at Karlovy Vary (reported in the same document)  
have any connection with CEMA. Information about the economic and  
financial experts at the meeting is particularly desirable.
7. What does source know about reports that CEMA will assume  
responsibility for setting up a unified military command for the European  
Satellites?
8. Does source have any information about other CEMA meetings held  
within the past six months?

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